have already been issued. The matter regarding grant of House Rent Allowance is pending before the High Court at Delhi and is, therefore, sub-judice.

Failure of PFA Department

4303. SHRI ABANI ROY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the outbreak of dropsy in Delhi in the recent past was due to negligence on the part of the PFA department;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to make suitable amendments in the PFA Act, 1954 and to curtail the powers of State Governments who fail on this front; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and what other steps would be taken by the Union Government to check the role of the PFA departments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM) : (a) According to the Govt. of NCT of Delhi it is not correct that the out break of dropsy in Delhi in the recent past was due to negligence on the part of the PFA department.

(b) There is no proposal with the Central Government to amend the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954 to curtail the powers of the State Governments.

(c) As the enforcement of the Prevention of Food Adulteration Act is vested with the State Governments they are being advised from time to time to take effective steps to ensure strict enforcement of the Act.

CGHS Facilities for MPs in States

4304. SHRI N.R. DASARI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the provision made to provide treatment and medicines for Members of Parliament in their respective States who are usually attached to CGHS dispensaries/hospitals in the National Capital.

(b) whether any good hospitals are attached to CGHS for this purpose in important cities; and